Classification

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Problem definition

Classification

- Find an appropriate decision function *f*(**x**) to predict one or more categorical response variables y
 - binary
 - muticlass
 - multilabel

Misclassification rates

• Let

$$I(Y, f(\mathbf{x})) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } y = f(\mathbf{x}) & \text{if } \mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{x} \\ 1, & \text{otherwise} & \mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{x} \end{cases}$$

The misclassification rate can be defined as

Misclassification rates

- Intuitively, one may learn an decision function $f(\mathbf{x})$ that minimizes misclassification rate. $\min_{x \in \mathcal{I}} \sum_{z \in \mathcal{I}} \mathcal{I}(\mathcal{J}_z, f(x_z)) \in (f_z)$
- Unfortunately, loss function composited by step functions are difficult to optimize.

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial f} = 0$$
 forever

Probabilistic interpretation



Generative vs discriminative

Generative models

From Bayes theorem we have

$$P(Y \mid \mathbf{X}) = \frac{P(\mathbf{X} \mid Y) \times P(Y)}{P(\mathbf{X})}$$
$$\propto P(\mathbf{X} \mid Y) \times P(Y)$$

• The decision function can be specified as

$$f(\mathbf{X}) = \arg \max_{Y} P(Y | \mathbf{X})$$
$$= \arg \max_{Y} P(\mathbf{X} | Y) \times P(Y)$$

Generative models

- The prior probability P(Y) can be assigned in priori or be estimated empirically by n_Y/N
- Probabilistic model assumptions on $P(\mathbf{X} | Y)$:
 - $N(\mu_y, \Sigma)$: linear discriminant analysis (LDA)
 - $N(\mu_y, \Sigma_y)$: quadratic discriminant analysis (QDA)
 - Naive bayes
 - Nonparametric estimation: k-nearest neighbors

Discriminative models

- Learns the <u>decision boundaries</u> directly
- Less model assumption
- Loss function formulation
- More preferable in machine learning society

Logistic regression

• Softmax function:

$$\sigma(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\exp\left[\beta_0 + \mathbf{x}^{\mathsf{T}}\boldsymbol{\beta}\right]}{1 + \exp\left[\beta_0 + \mathbf{x}^{\mathsf{T}}\boldsymbol{\beta}\right]}$$

• Decision function:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = I\left(\sigma(\mathbf{x}) > \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

• Decision boundary: $\left\{ \mathbf{x} : \sigma(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \right\}$

Multiclass logistic regression

- Assume that $y \in \{1, 2, \dots, c\}$
- In multiclass logistic regression, we assume that

$$Y \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Categorical}\left(\sigma_{j}(\mathbf{x})\right)$$

with softmax function

$$\sigma_{k}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\exp\left[\beta_{0k} + \mathbf{x}^{\mathsf{T}}\boldsymbol{\beta}_{k}\right]}{\sum_{j=1}^{c} \exp\left[\beta_{0k} + \mathbf{x}^{\mathsf{T}}\boldsymbol{\beta}_{j}\right]} \stackrel{?}{=} \Pr\left[\zeta = \left|\zeta\right| \times \right]$$

Multiclass logistic regression

The likelihood function becomes

$$L = \prod_{i=1}^{N} \left[\prod_{k=1}^{c} \sigma_{k}(\mathbf{x}_{i}) \right]^{\mathbf{y}_{i}^{(k)}} \not\subset f \mid (f_{k}) \not\subseteq 0$$

where

$$y_{i}^{(k)} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } y_{i} = k \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (\leq l, \ldots, l) \\ (f_{2}) \quad f_{3} \quad f_{3}$$

Multiclass logistic regression

• The log-likelihood becomes

$$\mathscr{C} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left[\sum_{k=1}^{c} y_i^{(k)} \log \sigma_k(\mathbf{x}_i) \right]$$

- $-\sum_{k=1}^{c} y_i^{(k)} \log \sigma_k(\mathbf{x})$ is also called cross entropy
- What will happen if c=2? (homework)

Metrics

Binary classification

Confusion matrix

True positives (TP)	False Negatives (FN)
False Positives (FP)	True Negatives (TN)

- Misclassification rate = (FN + FP) / N
- Sensitivity (recall) = TP / (TP+FN)
- Precision = TP / (TP + FP)

• Specificity = TN / (TN+FP)

Predicted class



• F1–score is a single metric that combines both precision and recall via their harmonic mean

Area under ROC



Multiclass classification



- precision, recall and F1–score
 - micro: calculate metrics globally by counting the total number of times each class was correctly predicted and incorrectly predicted
 - macro: calculate metrics for each "class" independently, and find their unweighted mean. This does not take label imbalance into account.

Representations

- Linear function $\beta_0 + \mathbf{x}^{\mathsf{T}} \boldsymbol{\beta}_k$
- Trees (e.g. random forest, gradient boosting trees, etc)
- Kernel tricks
- Deep neural networks
- etc.

Feature engineering

- Sometimes we may need to transform the raw data (e.g. images) to some useful features (e.g. breast cancer dataset)
- In the past decades the transformations are carried out by human intelligent
- On of the most appealing advantage of deep learning (especially CNN) is that such transformations can be determined automatically

Readings

- Chapter <u>17</u> of "Computational and Inferential Thinking"
- <u>Classification Metrics</u>
- <u>Chapter 4</u> of "Machine Learning with TensorFlow"
- Tensorflow playground

Homework

- Implement multiclass logistic regression on your own by (stochastic) gradient descent and apply it to the <u>wine dataset</u>
- Compare your result with that obtained by sklearn.linear_model.LogisticRegression with a very large C and multi_class='multinomial'
- 3. Evaluate the classification performances by micro/macro precisions, recalls, and F1 scores (by cross validation)